

## Goal 7: Prevent Conformity Lapses

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**Outcomes:** The number of conformity lapses (Target is 0)

Action Item	Deliverables/Milestones	Stakeholder(s)	Target Date	Comments
1. Meet with new non-attainment areas in North Carolina (NC) and provide technical guidance/assistance in the area of transportation planning and conformity in preparation for kickoff interagency consultation meetings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide an overview of the conformity process to the new non-attainment areas in NC.</li> <li>Provide all new non-attainment areas in NC with the necessary conformity tools to conduct an interagency consultation meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conformity determination report template</li> <li>Conformity process schedule</li> <li>Transportation conformity pre-analysis consensus plan</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	FHWA NCDOT	Metrolina – 09/11/03 Triad '04 – 09/30/03 Triad '05 – 04/08/04 Triangle – 04/19/04 Rocky Mt.- 5/26/04	All work associated with this action item is complete.
2. Work with the USEPA to develop Conformity 101 presentation that can be used to educate new non-attainment areas in NC on the revised 8-hour ozone/PM2.5 conformity rule.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate in the Federal (EPA, FHWA and FTA) outreach effort consisting of conference calls and the Federal Transportation Partner Roundtable (FTPR) meeting.</li> <li>Completed conformity 101 presentation that addresses all requirements in the revised 8-hour ozone/PM2.5 conformity rule.</li> </ul>	NCDOT EPA	02/04  07/04	All work associated with this action item is complete.
3. Provide the transportation conformity training to all new NC non-attainment areas in NC.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Video conference offering conformity 101 presentation to all stakeholders</li> <li>EPA Conformity "Train-the-trainer session" in Ann Arbor, MI</li> <li>FHWA Transportation Conformity and CMAQ workshop</li> <li>Provide transportation conformity training in the Charlotte, Raleigh-Durham and Rocky Mount areas</li> </ul>	NCDOT FHWA EPA	07/08-09/04  05/18-19/04 7/22/04 08/23-27/04	This deliverable/milestone is complete.  This deliverable/milestone is complete.
4. Provide technical guidance and assistance for the	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide the following services to the MPO/RPO's and the NCDOT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Document IC meeting minutes</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	NCDOT FHWA EPA	Metrolina – 04/22/04 Triad '04 –	This deliverable/milestone is complete. This deliverable/milestone is complete.

transportation conformity interagency consultation (IC) meetings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Commitment follow-up</li> <li>▪ Provide facilitator services</li> <li>▪ Develop meeting agendas.</li> </ul>		12/03 Triad '05 – 05/20/04 Triangle – 06/04 Edgecombe/ Nash – 7/19/04	This deliverable/milestone is complete.  This deliverable/milestone is complete.
5. Meet with Federal conformity partners (FHWA/FTA/EPA) to evaluate the conformity determination review process for possible streamlining opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Brainstorm ways to stream line conformity review process/innovative review approaches</li> <li>▪ Complete summary report and share with Federal partners</li> </ul>	FHWA FTA EPA	Feb 2004  May 2004	All work associated with this action item is complete.
6. Document the transportation conformity process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a standard operating procedure for the transportation process to use as a reference guide and training tool for personnel new to the conformity business</li> </ul>	NCDOT FHWA	Aug 2005	